

International Programs

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IP Mission

*Build and sustain capacities for
global coastal and marine
stewardship through effective
international partnerships*

IP FY 2000 Focus Areas

World Conservation Union (IUCN), Marine Protected Areas (MPAs), and Coral

Objective: Lead a global network of institutions to reduce habitat loss and conserve and restore critical coastal and marine habitats through regional and global partnerships on MPAs and sustainable fisheries, tourism, integrated coastal management, and creation of a globally-representative system of MPAs

Customers: MPA and Integrated Coastal Management practitioners, particularly managers of marine protected areas around the world

Key Partners: IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas and its 19 regional networks, IUCN organizational membership (governments, NGOs, and academics), US state coastal management programs, NOAA protected area management programs, World Bank and multilateral development banks, US AID, US Coral Reef Task Force, and NAFTA/Commission on Environmental Cooperation

IP FY 2000 Focus Areas

China and Other Asian Activities

Objective: Increase the capacity for coastal stewardship in Asia to preserve and restore coastal habitats, reduce vulnerabilities to coastal hazards and marine pollution, and improve navigational safety. Acquire new experience and information to improve coastal stewardship in the US.

Customers: Regional and national governmental organizations in Asia, multilateral and non-governmental organizations, US coastal and marine protected area programs, US private sector (e.g. information technology), US scientific community, and NOS program offices

Key Partners: US state coastal management programs, US marine protected area programs, World Bank, Asian Development Bank, Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), US AID

IP FY 2000 Focus Areas

Land-based Sources of Marine Degradation

Objective: Assist global, regional, and national initiatives to reduce land-based sources of marine degradation in the Gulf of Maine, the Bight of California, the Caribbean, and the Asia-Pacific region

Customers: Regional and national governmental organizations in North America and Asia, multilateral and non-governmental organizations, US coastal and marine protected area programs, US scientific community, and NOS program offices

Key Partners: United Nations Environment Programme, Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC), NAFTA/Commission on Environmental Cooperation

IP Key Messages

- NOS (Nancy Foster) has made a commitment to lead the IUCN World Commission on Protected Areas (Marine) for at least the next five years
- International community needs and expects US and NOAA leadership on international coastal stewardship
- Need to strengthen national, regional, and international capacities for coastal stewardship to deal effectively with increasing international issues
- Opportunities to learn from international experiences and prepare better for the future
- Funding available from international donors